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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

In re Patent Application of: Kunihiro Ohta et al.

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For: METHOD OF ENHANCING HOMOLOGOUS RECOMBINATION OF SOMATIC CELLS AND METHOD OF CONSTRUCTING

SPECIFIC ANTIBODY

Examiner: M. G. Leavitt

## THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Official Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 21, 2007, a petition for an extension of time for one (1) month up to and including November 21, 2007 and authorization for payment of the required fee being filed concurrently herewith, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks.

It is believed that no additional fees are required for these submissions. However, should the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determine that any additional fee is required or that any refund is owed for this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency and/or credit any refund owed to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

Application No. 10/522,644 Docket No.: 04393/0202300-US0 Third Preliminary Amendment and Response dated November 16, 2007

Reply to Restriction Requirement of September 21, 2007

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.